



# Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

## Committee/Task Force Minutes

<b>Committee/Task Force:</b>	Education Outcome Task Force		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b> (MM/DD/YYYY)	09/16/2016	<b>Time:</b>	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<b>Minutes Prepared By:</b>	Susan Lockwood	<b>Location:</b>	Indiana Government Center Conference Room 5

### 1. Meeting Objective(s)

1. Review the Children's Police and Law Initiative of Indiana.
2. Review the Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana: Draft Strategic Plan.
3. Be prepared to discuss goals for the Task Force based upon the final recommendations of the Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana.

### 2. Standing Members

Name	Organization	In Attendance (X indicates present)
Melissa Ambre	Indiana Department of Education	
J.T. Coopman	Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents	
William Colteryahn	Vocational Rehabilitation Services	
Leslie Crist	Indiana Department of Workforce Development	
Cathy Danyluk	Indiana Department of Education	X
Leslie Dunn	GAL-CASA Director	
Melaina Gant	Indiana Department of Child Services	
Christy Gauss	Indiana Department of Education	
Reba James	Indiana Department of Child Services	
Jonathan Kraeszig	Vocational Rehabilitation Services	X
Susan Lightfoot	Henry County Probation	X
Theresa Ochoa	Indiana University	X
Lenée Reedus-Carson	Indiana Department of Education	X
Gail Riecken	State Representative	
Anita Silverman	Transitions Academy	X
Julie Smart	Indiana Department of Education	
Christopher Stilwell	Tri Junior-Senior High School	

### 3. Staff/Guests

Name	Organization
Mitzi Hurst	Indiana Department of Correction
Katie Grand	Student/Intern

### 4. Updates/Old Business

Topic	Main Points	Recommendations/Decisions
Approval of minutes from previous meeting		Approved

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<b>5. New Business/Presentations</b>			
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Main Points</b>	<b>Recommendations/Decisions</b>	
Discussion of the Children's Law Policy Initiative	The report synthesizes the work from last fall's School Discipline Summit hosted by CPLI.	The report details nine recommendations with accompanying strategies for reducing suspensions/expulsions among students in public schools. The work is being reviewed by the School Discipline and Culture sub-committee to determine how we can support it as a Task Force.	
Discussion of Project Hope	<p>1-2 mentors are assigned to each girl at the Madison Juvenile Correctional Facility.</p> <p>Project Hope coordinators will present the second Career Fair at Madison Juvenile Correctional Facility in October.</p> <p>Project Hope leaders will meet on September 23<sup>rd</sup> to create a list of community resources in the New Castle area for individuals who are incarcerated or on probation.</p> <p>Issue 5 of the Law &amp; Disorder Publication contains original poetry by incarcerated youth at the Madison Juvenile Correction Facility.</p>	<p>Provide an update to the Task Force at the next meeting.</p> <p>The Law &amp; Disorder Publications at Indiana University needs to be an ongoing recourse for giving more incarcerated youth a voice.</p> <p>Developing strategies to address the barriers to publishing Law &amp; Disorder more frequently. Barriers include: funding, staying in contact with the authors, time, logistics, and quality control of the content.</p>	
Discussion on the Education in Juvenile Detention Centers	The main voice for this initiative are Indiana Judges and Legislators.	<p>Language explaining how incarcerated youth are to be educated is outdated.</p> <p>Legislators need to be more involved in developing a plan for incarcerated youth that will fit the communities they serve.</p> <p>Legislators need to help author the new language for educating incarcerated youth and push for it to become a statute in Indiana.</p>	
Discussion on the Strategic Planning initiatives	Develop yearly goals and timelines on projects.	Give clear and concise goals and outcomes to the Task Force.	



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Discussion and update from sub-committees	Review of work being done to date by the School Discipline and Climate Sub-committee. Distribution of the final report from the Joint Sub-committee with Substance Abuse regarding prevention of substance abuse in schools.		Read the report from the Joint Sub-Committee and provide feedback to Susan Lockwood by Friday, September 24.		
<b>6. Action Items (Include recommendations/queries for Executive Committee)</b>					
<b>Action</b>		<b>Responsibility</b>		<b>Due Date</b>	
Task Force members are encouraged to brainstorm funding ideas for the Law & Disorder Publication.		Task Force Members		TBA	
Consider adding a person from the JDAI to the Task Force.		Task Force Members		TBA	
Read Final Report from the Joint Sub-Committee on Substance Abuse Prevention		Task Force Members		Feedback due 9/24/16	
<b>7. Adjournment</b>					
<b>Action</b>					<b>Time</b>
Adjourned					11:30 a.m.
<b>8. Next Meeting</b>					
<b>Date:</b> (MM/DD/YYYY)	TBA	<b>Time:</b>	TBA	<b>Location:</b>	TBA
<b>Topics/Objective(s):</b>	Have all reading materials reviewed and ready for discussion.				

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